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Tariq M. Rana

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 12, 2007 (Paper No. 20060630). An appropriate request for extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.